(d) Hotels from one star to three star categories are eligible for central assistance.

(e) Major hotel groups have been identified to sign MoU for establishment of hotel projects in the State.

New standards for navratna status to PSUs

*92. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government are considering new rules and standards for according Navratna status to PSUs;

(b) if so, the details thereof and how they differ from the existing ones;

(c) whether Navratna PSUs which do not conform to the new rules will lose their status; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b) The Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs), which are Miniratna I, Schedule 'A' and have obtained 'excellent' or 'very good' rating under the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) system in three of the last five years are eligible for consideration for the grant of Navratna status. The Apex Committee headed by Cabinet Secretary and assisted by an Inter-Ministerial Committee (IMC) lays down the format and undertakes review and evaluation of the performance of the concerned CPSEs from time to time.

(c) and (d) There is a two stage screening for conferment/divestment of Navratna status. The first stage is the screening by IMC. The recommendations of the IMC are to be placed before the Apex Committee. The recommendations of the Apex Committee on the Navratna status are placed before the Minister of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises for approval through the Minister in-charge of the administrative Ministry/ Department concerned. In case of any disagreement, the matter is submitted to the Cabinet for decision.